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1. I have listed below a description of individual weapons and equipment known to me. For the sake of clarity, I have divided this information into three sections: battalion, regimental, and divisional levels.

Battalion T/E

2. The mechanized rifle battalion had the following T/E (I do not know if this was the peacetime or wartime T/E. The actual T/E was less than stated, as units were understrength):

a. Rifle company

(1) Weapons in a squad:

- (a) One squad leader (NCO), armed with a 7.62 mm machine carbine, model 1941, PPSH.
- (b) One machine gunner, also assistant squad leader (Pfc), armed with a 7.62 mm Degtyarev LMG DP. This machine gunner has no personal weapon.
- (c) One assistant machine gunner, armed with a 7.62 mm Mossin Nagant Carbine, model 1944.
- (d) One sniper armed with a 7.62 mm Mossin Nagant Carbine, model 1944, with unidentified sniper's telescope attached.

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- (e) One reconnaissance and six riflemen, each armed with a 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant Carbine, model 1944.
- (f) Total of T/E weapons for rifle squad: one PPSH, eight carbines, one sniper's carbine, one Degtyarev LMG. 25X1A

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- (2) Weapons in a platoon. The rifle platoon consisted of three squads (T/O & E as above) plus one officer (lieutenant) as platoon leader. The officer was armed with a 7.62 mm. Tokarev Pistol, model 1930 TT. The T/E for a rifle platoon was 1 TT, 3 PPSH's, 24 carbines, 3 sniper's carbines, and 3 LMG's.
 - (3) Weapons in a rifle company, mechanized rifle battalion. The rifle company consisted of two platoons, T/O & E as in a platoon, plus two headquarters officers and a first sergeant, each armed with a 7.62 mm. Tokarev Pistol, Model 1930 T. The total T/E weapons for a rifle company was 5 TT pistols, 48 carbines, 6 sniper's carbines, 6 PPSH's, and 6 LMG's. The rifle company, or its subunits, had no organic transportation; however, the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. had sufficient transportation for all men and equipment of all its subunits (battalions, companies, platoons, and squads).

b. Machine gun company, mechanized rifle battalion

- (1) Weapons of a squad:
 - (a) One NCO, armed with a 7.62 mm. machine carbine, model 1941, PPSH.
 - (b) Five machine gunners, each armed with a 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant Carbine, model 1944.
 - (c) One 7.62 mm. Goryunov MMG, model 1943.
 - (d) The total T/E weapons for machine gun squad was one PPSH, five carbines, and one MMG.
- (2) Weapons of a platoon. A machine gun platoon consisted of three squads (T/E as above) plus one officer (lieutenant) as platoon leader, armed with a 7.62 mm. Tokarev Pistol, Model 1930 TT. The total T/E weapons of the MG platoon was 1 TT pistol, 3 PPSH's, 15 carbines, and 3 x 7.62 mm. Goryunov MMG's, Model 1943.
- (3) Weapons of a machine gun company, mechanized rifle battalion. The machine gun company consisted of two platoons (T/E as above) and had in addition two headquarters officers and a first sergeant, each armed with a TT pistol. The total T/E weapons of a MG company was 5 TT pistols, 6 PPSH's, 30 carbines, and 6 x 7.62 mm. Goryunov MMG's, Model 1943. Until 1949-1950 all machine gun companies in a mechanized rifle battalion had 7.62 mm. Maxim MMG's, model 1910, which were replaced by the Goryunov MMG, Model 1943. The reason for the change was the difficulty of keeping the water used for the cooling of the MG from freezing.
- (4) The MG company had no organic transportation; the regiment furnished sufficient transportation for all men and equipment.

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c. Mortar platoon, mechanized rifle battalion

(1) Weapons of a squad:

- (a) One weapons NCO armed with a 7.62 mm. machine carbine, model 1941, PPSH .
- (b) One gunner armed with a 7.62 mm. Tokarev Pistol, model 1930 TT .
- (c) Two to four privates armed with 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant Carbines. I am not sure of the number of men in a mortar platoon.
- (d) One 82 mm. mortar (model unknown)

The total T/E weapons of a mortar squad was one PPSH, one TT pistol, two to four carbines, one 82 mm. mortar.

- (2) Weapons of a mortar platoon, mechanized rifle battalion: A mortar platoon consisted of three squads (T/E as above) plus one platoon leader armed with a TT pistol. The total T/E weapons of a mortar platoon were 4 TT pistols, 3 PPSH's, 12 carbines, and 3 x 82 mm. mortars. The mortar platoon had no organic transportation.

d. Antitank platoon, mechanized rifle battalion

(1) Weapons of a squad:

- (a) One weapons NCO armed with a 7.62 mm. machine carbine, model 1941, PPSH .
- (b) One gunner armed with a 7.62 mm. Tokarev Pistol, model 1930 TT .
- (c) Two to five EM armed with 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbines (I am not sure of the number of men in an AT platoon).
- (d) One 57 mm. AT gun.
- (e) One three-ton Studebaker prime mover; I do not know what year.

The total weapons and vehicles for antitank squad was one PPSH, one TT pistol, two to five carbines, one 57 mm. AT gun, and one prime mover.

- (2) Weapons of an antitank platoon, mechanized rifle battalion: An antitank platoon consisted of three squads (T/E as above) plus one platoon leader armed with a TT pistol. The total T/E (weapons and vehicles) of an antitank platoon was 4 TT pistols, 3 PPSH's, 6-15 carbines, 3 x 57 mm. AT guns, and 3 prime movers.

- e. Technical Supply Unit, Mechanized Rifle Battalion (Tekhnicheskii Khozyaystvennyy Otdel -- TKhO): I believe, but am not sure, that NCO's of the technical supply unit had 7.62 mm. machine carbines, model 1941, PPSH, and that all privates had 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbines; neither am I certain of the exact T/E, but believe that this section had 2 PPSH's and 12 carbines. The supply unit also had organic transportation (an unknown number of trucks for the movement of supplies and food). The technical supply unit of the 2d Mecz. Rifle Bn. had 1½-ton Ford trucks. Except for these trucks and the prime movers for the 57 mm. AT guns, the mechanized rifle battalion had no other organic transportation. The mechanized regiment provided sufficient transportation to move the personnel and equipment of the mechanized battalion.

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Regimental T/E

3. The guards mechanized regiment had the following T/E. (I am not sure if this was the peacetime or wartime T/E, but believe the information below to be the actual strength.)

a. Regiment headquarters [exact T/E unknown]: I know only of 20-30 officers, each armed with a 7.62 mm. Tokarev Pistol, model 1930 TT.

b. Headquarters Command [exact T/E unknown]:

- (1) Six officers armed with 7.62 mm. Tokarev pistols, model 1941, PPSH.
- (2) Ten NCO's armed with 7.62 mm. machine carbines, model 1941, PPSH.
- (3) Forty privates armed with 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbines, model 1944.
- (4) Two privates (drivers of armored car and jeep for the regimental CO) armed with 7.62 mm. Tokarev pistols, model 1930 TT.
- (5) One radio station, model RSB, mounted on a three-ton Studebaker truck.
- (6) One mobile headquarters, mounted on a three-ton Studebaker truck.
- (7) One 1½-ton Ford truck, for the club officer to move club supplies.
- (8) One three-quarter-ton Dodge, for the chief of artillery.
- (9) One armored car, model BA-10, used for reconnaissance.
- (10) One three-ton ZIS-5, used for laying of telephone lines and to move signal equipment.
- (11) Three Willys jeeps: one for the regimental CO, one for the regimental chief of staff, and one held in reserve.

Except for the two jeeps used by the regimental CO and the regimental chief of staff, all other headquarters command vehicles were on blocks. The mobile radio station, the signal section truck, the mobile headquarters, and the reconnaissance armored car were used on CPX's and for the summer training. The other vehicles were always on blocks in the winter quarters of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt.

c. Technical supply company (Rota Tekhnicheskogo Obespecheniya-- RTO):

- (1) The officers (I do not know how many), had 7.62 mm. Tokarev Pistols, model 1930 TT.
- (2) The NCO's [number unknown] had 7.62 mm. machine carbines, model 1941 PPSH.
- (3) The privates [number unknown] had 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbines.

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The RTO had about 35 trucks, type ZIS-5, 3-ton, and 4 x 1½-ton Ford trucks used for moving supplies and personnel. All the ZIS trucks were on blocks and did not go to summer camp. These vehicles were ready to move in summer within 10 minutes unless a motor refused to start. In winter, water had to be poured into the radiators; otherwise all vehicles were ready for the march. I can give no definite estimate on the length of time required to have all vehicles of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. on the move; but, in alert moves, all vehicles of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. were ready for march within one hour after the alert was given. Only the four Ford 1½-ton trucks were actually used for the moving of supplies.

- d. Services platoon (Khozyaystvennyy Vzvod). The services platoon had nine trucks, some ZIS-5 (three-ton), some Ford 1½-ton number unknown. Two ZIS-5 trucks were on blocks, while all the other trucks were used for hauling of supplies. All EM (I do not know how many) were armed with 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbines.
- e. Regimental Band. The band had no weapons or equipment except their musical instruments. Transportation was furnished by the regiment.
- f. NCO School. The NCO School had one Ford 1½-ton and one ZIS-5 truck for hauling supplies. The students practiced with mortars, MG's, LMG's, SMG's, carbines, and pistols but I cannot say how many weapons were assigned to the school. I do not know the personal weapons of the students or instructors.
- g. Medical detachment. The medical detachment had two ambulances (I do not know the type). I can give no details on individual weapons or other equipment of the medical detachment.
- h. The artillery battalion had the following T/E:
 - (1) The artillery battalion was composed of two batteries of 76 mm. field guns and one battery of 120 mm. howitzers, as follows:
 - (a) 76 mm. field gun battery (two). Each battery consisted of two platoons. Each platoon had two squads. Each squad had one 76 mm. field gun. Each battery consisted of:
 1. Officers number unknown armed with 7.62 mm. Tokarev pistols, model 1930 TT.
 2. Gunners (four in one battery) armed with TT pistols.
 3. Weapons NCO's (four in one battery) armed with 7.62 mm. machine carbines, model 1941 PPSH.
 4. The rest of the personnel number unknown were armed with 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbines.
 5. Four 76 mm. field guns.
 6. Four Studebaker three-ton trucks used as prime movers.
 - (b) 120 mm. howitzer battery. The battery consisted of two platoons. Each platoon had two squads. Each squad had one 120 mm. howitzer. The battery consisted of:
 1. Officers number unknown armed with TT pistols
 2. Gunners (four) armed with TT pistols

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3. Weapons NCO's (four) armed with PPSH's
 4. The rest of the personnel [number unknown] were armed with carbines
 5. Four 120 mm. howitzers
 6. Four Studebaker three-ton trucks used as prime movers
- (2) The total T/E of weapons and vehicles of the artillery battalion was:
- (a) An unknown number of TT pistols
 - (b) An unknown number of carbines
 - (c) Twelve PPSH's
 - (d) Eight 76 mm. field guns
 - (e) Four 120 mm. howitzers
 - (f) Twelve Studebaker three-ton trucks used as prime movers
1. The medium tank battalion had about 20-23 T/34 tanks [type unknown] and two tank retrievers. It also had an unknown number of trucks, armored scout cars, model BA-64, and US-made armored vehicles. Tankers were armed with TT pistols except for NCO's who had PPSH's. I have no further knowledge of the T/E of the battalion. 25X1X
- j. The mortar battalion was composed of two companies of 82 mm. mortars and one company of 120 mm. mortars [redacted] they were called companies and not batteries, as follows:
- (1) 82 mm. Mortar Company (two). Each company had two platoons, each platoon had two squads, each squad had one 82 mm. mortar [model unknown]. The T/E of each mortar company was:
 - (a) Officers (number unknown) were armed with 7.62 mm. Tokarev pistols, model 1930 TT.
 - (b) Weapons NCO's (four per company) were armed with 7.62 mm. machine carbines, model 1941 PPSH.
 - (c) The remainder of the personnel (I do not know how many) were armed with 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbines.
 - (d) The company also possessed four 82 mm. mortars [model unknown].
 - (2) 120 mm. Mortar Company (one). The 120 mm. mortar company had two platoons, each platoon had two squads, each squad had one 120 mm. mortar [model unknown]. The T/E of the 120 mm. mortar company was:
 - (a) Officers (I do not know the number) were armed with 7.62 mm. Tokarev pistols, model 1930 TT.
 - (b) Weapons NCO's (four) were armed with 7.62 mm. machine carbines, model 1941 PPSH (the company has 12 PPSH's altogether).

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- (c) The remainder of the personnel /number unknown/ were armed with 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbines.
- (d) The company also possessed four 120 mm. mortars, four Studebaker three-ton trucks used as prime movers, and eight 82 mm. mortars (I do not know what model).
- k. AA battery. I have no knowledge of individual weapons, but believe that the AA battery had nine AA machine guns, caliber 12.7, model DShK.
- l. Reconnaissance company. I am not sure of the T/E of the reconnaissance company. I saw, however, an unknown number of B-64 armored cars, BA-10 armored cars, and motorcycles in the vehicle parking area of the reconnaissance company. The officers were armed with pistols and the EM had PPSH's and carbines.
- m. Mechanized rifle battalions (two). /For T/E, see paragraph 2 a., above. that the 44th, 45th, and 46th mechanized regiments had the same T/O & E. 25X1X

Divisional T/E

- 4. The guards mechanized division had the following T/E known to me. /Source was guessing figures given below, and was confused as to whether he spoke of the peacetime or wartime T/E or actual strength/:
 - a. Division headquarters /exact T/E not known had 30-40 officers, each armed with a 7.62 mm. Tokarev pistol, model 1930 TT. 25X1X
 - b. Headquarters company /exact T/E not known Headquarters company had three or four T/34 tanks (seen by me). 25X1X
 - c. Guards mechanized regiments (three). /T/E as given in paragraph 2 b./
 - d. Guards heavy tank and SP regiment. /T/E, individual weapons unknown./ I believe that the heavy tank and SP regiments were composed of two battalions, each with about 20 JS tanks, one battalion of 122 mm. SP guns (I do not know the number of pieces or the number of mortars, howitzers, field guns - I do not know the calibers - nor the number of trucks). I heard this from friends in the Guards Heavy Tank and SP (self-propelled gun) Regiment.
 - e. Guards medium tank regiment /T/E, individual weapons unknown to me/. I believe, from what I heard from friends in the Guards Medium Tank Regiment, that the medium tank regiment was composed of two battalions, each with about 20 T/34 tanks, one battalion of 76 mm. SP guns and trucks.
 - f. Guards mortar regiment. The mortar regiment had a number of 82 mm. and 120 mm. mortars which I saw. No other T/E is known to me.
 - g. Motorcycle reconnaissance battalion. The motorcycle reconnaissance battalion had three or four T-34 tanks, a number of motorcycles with side cars, and a number of armored cars which I saw.
 - h. Rocket launcher battalion. The rocket battalion had a number of M-13 rocket launchers which I saw.

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1. AAA Regiment, Howitzer Regiment, Engineer Battalion, Signal Battalion, Medical Battalion, Transportation Battalion, repair and service units, Tank School, Drivers School. I do not know the T/E of any of the above units.

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5. I saw two new ZIS-151 and two new ZIS-150 trucks in the Soviet Zone of Austria. These trucks arrived in the 13th Gds. Mecz. Div. in the Fall of 1951. They were of four-ton capacity, six by six, and had five speeds forward and one reverse. I do not know the maximum speed of these vehicles. These trucks were used as mobile repair shops. I heard from drivers that ZIS-150 and ZIS-151 were good vehicles, "almost as good as the Studebakers". A three-ton Studebaker was greatly superior to a ZIS-5 in cross-country performance.
6. I also heard of new GAZ-63 trucks which arrived in CGF in the Fall of 1951. I never saw any of the vehicles, as there were none in the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. I have no data on speed, gears, or size of this vehicle, but heard that it was used as a prime mover, had front and rear drive, and could ford one meter of water. The GAZ-63 also performed well on dirt roads.
7. I heard from officers arriving from the USSR as replacements that Soviet troops in the USSR had a new, better carbine, and that the carbine issued to Soviet troops in Austria was obsolete. I can give no details, however, on the new carbine.
8. The only data I have on tanks is the rumor that T/34 tanks were well liked by tank troops.
9. I never saw faulty operation or jamming of any Soviet small arms during my military service. I have no knowledge as to what extent dirt will cause the faulty operation of guns in wartime, as I did not participate in the war; there was no dirt in gun chambers in peacetime. From my personal observation, I am sure that all weapons in the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. were maintained in first class condition, ready for instant combat commitment.
10. I have fired the following weapons:
- 7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbine -- three times, four rounds each time.
 - 7.62 mm. Maxim MMG -- four times, five rounds each time.
 - 7.62 mm. Tokarev pistol, model 1930 TT -- 35 rounds.
11. Pistol firing was not part of the training for the average soldier.
- 35 rounds. The average Soviet soldier fires four rounds once every three months with his weapon. Soviet marksmanship was rated differently for soldiers in their first year than for soldiers in their second or third year. Soviet marksmanship qualifications were (based on a bullseye target): bullseye: 10; succeeding circles: 9, 8, 7, etc. The maximum score was 40: following is the system of grading:
- | <u>Soldiers in their first year</u> | <u>Soldiers in 2d and 3d year</u> |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Excellent -- 24 points | Excellent -- 28 points |
| Good -- 20 points | Good -- 24 points |
| Satisfactory -- 17 points | Satisfactory -- 20 points |
- NCO's were much better trained in marksmanship than privates.

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12. I had no bayonet training and have no knowledge of bayonet training. I have no technical knowledge of semi-automatic weapons or armor-piercing incendiaries, nor am I knowledgeable on MG tactics. A Soviet soldier in training carries his carbine (or other weapon), gasmask, shovel, mess gear, rucksack, overcoat, and ammunition pouches with two magazines. I never wore a helmet and have no knowledge of a full combat load, nor can I estimate its weight. The 13th Gds. Mecz. Div. had no planes and I have no knowledge of aviation tactics.
13. I once heard the Voice of America, while on a detail to clean up the apartment of my regimental commander during his absence. The average Soviet soldier, in my opinion, had no chance to hear VOA unless he were in the signal corps and could secretly listen to his radio.

Unit Supply and Maintenance

14. The typical ration used by Soviet troops in Austria was:

Breakfast: broth or soup, tea with sugar

Dinner: soup with meat or potatoes or cabbage

Supper: Potatoes or macaroni, broth or meat, bread (800 gms. per day in summer, 900 gms. per day in winter).

EM were also issued two packages of tobacco (makhorka) every 10 days. The same rations were issued summer and winter, with the exception of the larger amount of bread in winter. On holidays more meat was issued to EM. The Soviet Army had a special combat ration called Dry Rations (Sukhoy Payek) which was kept in the supply rooms. I do not know its contents nor do I know the amount on hand.

15. The following issue was given to EM in my unit:

One overcoat -- for two years
 Two pairs of breeches -- each for eight months
 Two blouses -- each for eight months
 One summer hat -- for one year
 One winter hat -- for one year
 One pair of boots -- for eight months
 Footwraps (in lieu of socks) two winter and two summer pairs -- for one year
 One pair of mittens -- for the entire service period
 One leather belt (worn over blouse) -- for entire service period
 One canvas belt strap (for trousers) -- for entire service period
 Underwear -- clean issue every 10 days at time of bathing.

In addition, the EM were issued:

One gas mask
 One rucksack
 Mess gear and aluminum flask
 One shovel
 One pillow
 One woolen blanket
 Two sheets
 One mattress
 One towel
 Sewing equipment
 One bar of soap (soap could be obtained about twice a month from the first sergeant).

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16. All EM had the same type of uniforms. Officers had a good quality wool uniform for winter and a good quality cotton uniform for summer. EM had the same cotton uniforms for summer and winter. I never heard of special arctic uniforms. New issues were made only after an item was used for the prescribed period /See paragraph 15/. If boots were worn out, or torn, the first sergeant gave the individual a pair of boots to wear until the other boots were repaired. Likewise, torn or worn uniforms were repaired. I never lost any issue and never heard of anyone losing issue, as the EM were very careful about such matters. Loss of issue was punishable by a deduction in pay. When receiving a new issue, the EM had to turn in their old issue. Each squad leader was supposed to check daily on the equipment and clothes of his squad. Platoon and company commanders inspected all equipment weekly.
17. The peacetime units of fire known to me were as follows: (sic)
- a. TT pistol -- two magazines of seven rounds each
 - b. PPSH -- two drums of 71 rounds each
 - c. Carbines -- three magazines of five rounds each
18. The Willys jeep held 57 liters of gasoline, traveling about 100 km. on 18 liters. This is the only information I have on vehicle fuel.
19. I heard that, in the Fall of 1951, Soviet soldiers were encouraged to enroll in newly formed airborne and parachute units in the Soviet Zone of Austria. 25X1X
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Supplementary Data

- A. T/O of the 13th Gds. Mecz. Div., CGF, Soviet Zone of Austria
- B. T/O of a Guards Mechanized Regiment
- C. T/O of a Guards Heavy Tank and Self-Propelled Artillery Regiment
- D. T/O of a Guards Medium Tank Regiment
- E. T/O of a Mechanized Battalion
- F. Summer Training Area near Allensteig
- G. Barracks Area of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. near Klosterneuburg

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A. Organization of the 13th Gds Mecz Div, CGF

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Information on organization of the 13th Gds Mecz Div

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Information given is

13th Gds Mecz Div

Div Hq - Commanding General - Major General
 Deputy for Training (First deputy and executive) - Colonel
 Deputy for Political Affairs - Colonel
 Deputy for Rear Services - Colonel
 Deputy for Technical Services (in charge of tanks and vehicles) - Colonel
 Chief of Staff - Colonel
 Deputies to Chief of Staff (1 or 2 -- exact number not known to source) - Lt Colonels
 Chief of Division Artillery - Colonel
 Physical Instructor - Major
 Finance Officer - Major
 Other officers: source had no knowledge as to their number, functions, or ranks.
 MGB officer(s), attached to Div Hq but not subordinate thereto

Hq Co - Contained an unknown number of clerk-typists, drivers, telephone and radio men.

Gds Mecz Regt (three), each consisting of:

Regt Hq - Commanding Officer - Colonel
 Deputy for Training (First deputy and executive) - Major
 Deputy for Political Affairs - Lt Colonel
 Deputy for Rear Services - Major
 Deputy for Vehicles - Major
 Chief of Staff - Colonel
 Deputy Chief of Staff - Lt Colonel
 Chemical Officer - Major
 Reconnaissance Officer - Major
 Signal Officer - Major
 Chief of Automobile Service - Major
 Finance Officer - Lieutenant
 Documents Section Chief - Jr. Lieutenant
 Other officers: source had no knowledge as to their number, functions, or ranks.
 An MGB officer was at Regt Hq. Source did not know the exact subordination.

Hq Co -

Commanding Officer - Major
 Deputy for Political Affairs - Sr. Lieutenant
 Radio Officer - Sr. Lieutenant
 Engineer Officer - Lieutenant
 Club Officer - Sr. Lieutenant
 Library Officer - Lieutenant
 First Sergeant

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Hq Co had the following platoons or sections (actual strength - T/O unknown)

Drivers' Platoon - 2 NCOs, 10 chauffeurs

Signal Section - about 20 radio, telephone, and signal EM.
Source could not give breakdown of NCOs and Pvs.

Engineer Section - 1 NCO, 4-5 Pvs

Traffic Control Section - 7 traffic control men - 1 NCO, 6 Pvs

Administrative Section - Supply Clerks (about 7). Source could not give breakdown of NCOs and Pvs.

Gds Technical Supply Co (RTG) - Rota Tekhnicheskogo Obespecheniya - containing an unknown number of officers and EM.

Mechanics' Platoon (Actual strength - T/O unknown)

1 radio repair man
2 ordnance repair men
1 welder
2 POL clerks
5-10 locksmiths, blacksmiths, lathe operators,
and other machinists (unknown)

Drivers' Platoon - RTG contained two drivers' platoons - T/O unknown.

Services Platoon - (Actual strength - T/O unknown)

1 Sverkhstrechnik (reenlisted NCO) Class of 1912
(in charge)
3 supply men
2 shoemakers
2 tailors
2 cooks (1 NCO, 1 Pvt)
1 bath attendant
7 chauffeurs

Band - 10-12 men (1 officer, unknown number of NCOs, Pvs.)

NCO School - had 70 students (Believed not counted in other units; placed in NCO school directly upon assignment to the 46th Gds Mecz Regt. After graduation, they are assigned to NCO positions listed in the T/O of Regt.)

Medical Detachment - consisted of several physicians, male officers, NCOs and Pvs. T/O&E unknown.

Mechanized Rifle Battalions (two) (Note: OB refers to these units as Motorized Rifle Bns but source insists they were called Mechanized Rifle Bns.) each consisting of:

Bn Hq - Commanding Officer - Lt Colonel or Major
Deputy for Training (First deputy and executive) - Major
Deputy for Technical Matters (vehicles*) - Major
Chief of Staff - Major
Deputy Chief of Staff - Lieutenant
Communist Party Organizer - Lieutenant

- Source is sure that the 46th Gds Mecz Regt had no deputies for political affairs and no deputy for supply. He does not know if these positions were vacant or if there were no such positions in the T/O. He believes that the companies have political officers and that, therefore, the battalion does not need a political officer. The battalion does not handle supplies.

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Technical Supply Unit - (TkhO - Tekhnicheskii Khozyaystvennyy Otdel)

- 1 Medical Officer - Feldsher, Lt
- 1 Chemical NCO
- Chauffeurs - number unknown
- Gun Repair men - number unknown

Rifle Company (three) (Note:

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- Co Hq - Commanding Officer - Captain or Lieutenant
- Political Officer - Sr Lieutenant
- First Sergeant

Rifle Platoon (two) Each platoon consisted of 3 squads plus 1 officer for each platoon. Each squad consisted of (source does not know if this is wartime or peacetime T/O):

- 1 squad leader - NCO
- 1 machine gunner (also ass't squad leader)
- 1 ass't machine gunner
- 1 sniper
- 1 reconnaissance man
- 6 rifle men

Note: Actually the squads in all mech rifle companies of the mech rifle bn of the 45th Gds Mech Regt had 5-6 men. A platoon which, according to T/O, should have 34 men (1 platoon leader (Lt) and 3 squads of 11 men each) actually had only 20-25 men. A company which, according to T/O, should have 71 men, had in actual strength only 4 officers, 7 NCOs, and about 35 Pvs. 25X1X

Machine Gun Company -

- Co Hq - Commanding Officer - Sr Lieutenant
- Political Officer - Lt or Sr Lieutenant
- First Sergeant

MG Platoon (two)- Each platoon consisted of 3 squads and 1 officer (Lt). Each squad consisted of:

- 1 NCO
- 4-5 Pvs

Note: The squads of the machine gun company were actually made up of only 1 NCO and 3 Pvs; platoons actually had 1 or 2 NCOs and 6 Pvs; and the company actually had 5 to 7 NCOs and 18 Pvs.

Mortar Platoon - Consisted of 1 officer (Lt) as platoon leader and 3 squads, each consisting of (actual strength - T/O unknown):

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1 Weapons Commander - NCO
 1 Gunner
 1 Leader
 1 Ammunition Carrier

AT Platoon - Consisted of 1 officer (Lt) as platoon leader and 3 squads each consisting of (actual strength - T/O unknown):

1 Weapons Commander - NCO
 1 Gunner
 1 Leader
 1 Ammunition Carrier

Medium Tank Battalion - consisting of:

Bn Hq - Commanding Officer - Lt Colonel
 Chief of Staff - Major
 Deputy for Training (First deputy and executive) - Major
 Deputy for Technical Affairs
 Captain for Signal Communications

Tank Co (two) - Source heard from some tank soldiers that the T/O (not known if wartime or peacetime) called for three tank companies, but there was no third tank company since 1945 in the tank battalion. T/O unknown.

Reconnaissance Platoon - T/O unknown

Technical Supply Co (RTO - Rota Tekhnicheskogo Obespecheniya - T/O unknown

Artillery Battalion - Consisted of 3 batteries, each of 2 platoons, each platoon of 2 squads.

Bn Hq - Commanding Officer - Lt Colonel or Major - T/O unknown.

Batteries (three - 2 batteries of 76 mm and 1 battery of 120 mm) - T/O unknown.

Platoons (two) - T/O unknown.

Squads (two) - T/O unknown, actual strength:

1 NCO
 4-5 Pts

Mortar Battalion - Consisted of 3 companies, each of 2 platoons, each platoon of 2 squads.

Bn Hq - T/O unknown

Mortar Co (three - 2 companies of 82 mm and 1 company of 120 mm) T/O unknown

Platoons (two) - T/O unknown

Squads (two) - T/O unknown, actual strength:

1 NCO
 4-5 Pts

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(Note: CB on hand stated that a Mecz Regt has a mortar battery. Source stated that up to the summer of 1951 a Mecz Regt had a mortar company but in the summer of 1951 all mortar companies in the Mecz Regt of the 13th Gds Mecz Div were increased to mortar battalions (T/O as above).)

AAA Battery - T/O unknown

Recon Co - T/O unknown

Gds Medium Tank Regiment, consisting of:

Regt Hq - CO - Colonel (Further T/O unknown, but source assumes that it is the same as in the other regts of the 13th Gds Mecz Div, with perhaps a deputy for armor.)

Medium Tank Bn (two) - T/O unknown

Artillery Bn - T/O unknown

AAA Bn - T/O unknown

Mortar Bn - T/O unknown

Tank-Riding Inf Bn - (Desyanty) - T/O unknown (sic; desanty?)

Hq units, ^{Band,} Repair Unit, Service Unit - T/O unknown

Recon Co - T/O unknown

Source believes, but is not sure, that a Med Tank Regt has a Bn of small caliber SP guns.

Gds Heavy Tank & SP Regt - Consisting of:

Regt Hq - T/O unknown

Heavy Tank Bn (two) - JS tanks, gun cal unknown - T/O unknown

SP Bn - cal of gun unknown - T/O unknown

Tank-Riding Inf (Desyanty) Bn - T/O unknown (sic; desanty?)

Artillery Bn - T/O unknown

AAA Bn - T/O unknown

Mortar Bn - T/O unknown

Hq units, Band, Repair, & Service units - T/O unknown

Recon Co - T/O unknown

Gds Mortar Regt - T/O unknown

Gds AAA Regt - T/O unknown

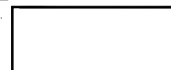
^{Howitzer}
Gds Arty Regt - T/O unknown

Gds Motorcycle Recon Bn - T/O unknown

Gds Signal Battalion - T/O unknown

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Gds Rocket Launcher Bn - T/O unknown

Gds Engineer Bn - T/O unknown

Gds Transportation Bn - T/O unknown

Gds Medical Bn - T/O unknown

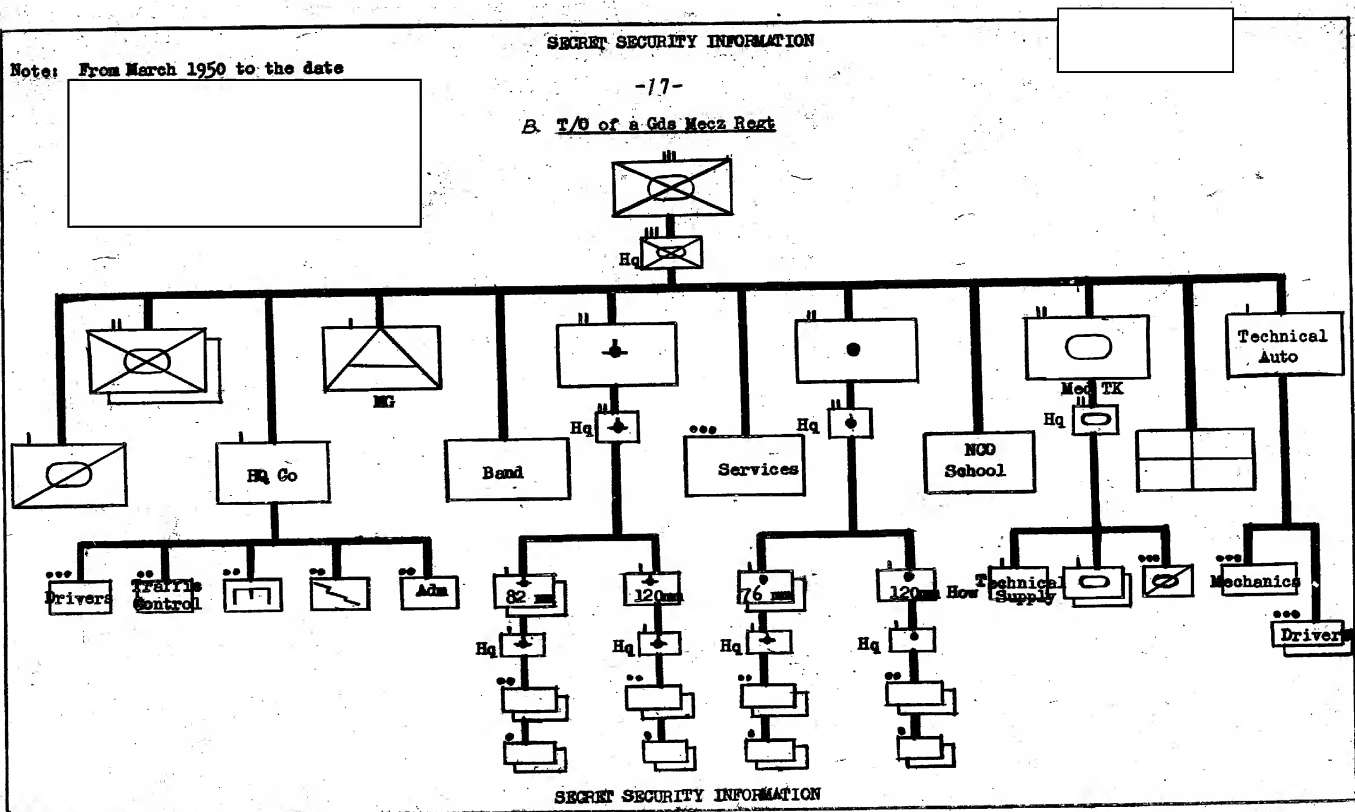
Repair units for tanks and vehicles - T/O unknown

Tank Training School - T/O unknown

Drivers' School - T/O unknown

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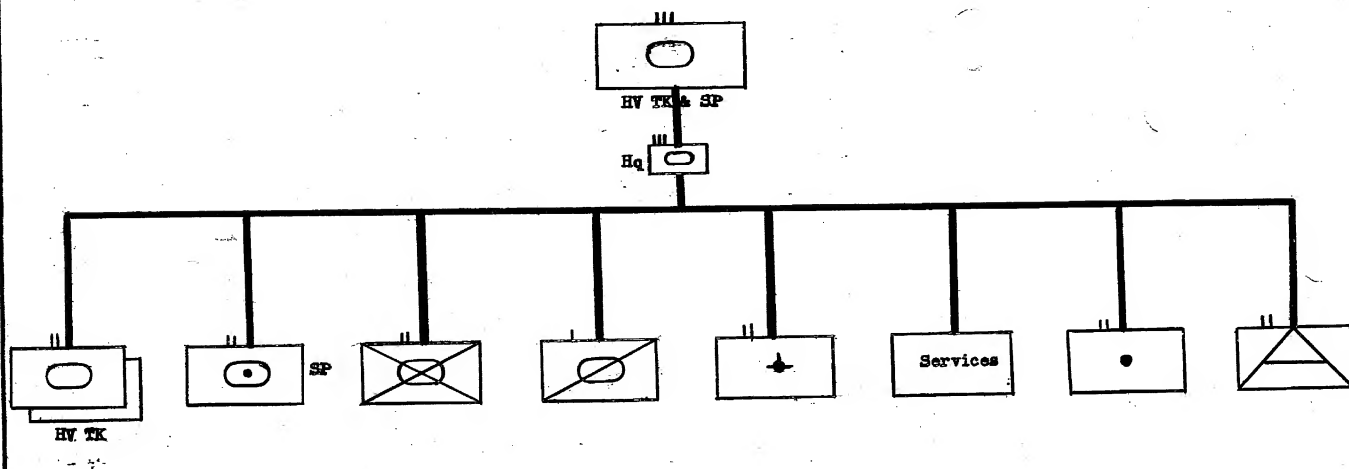
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C. T/O of a Gds Heavy Tank and SP Regt

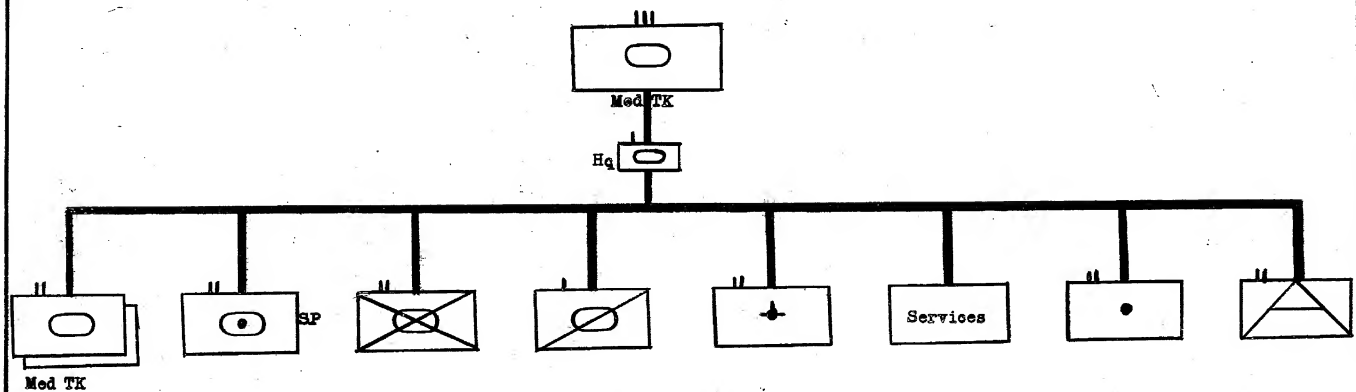


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D. T/O of a Gds Medium Tank Regiment



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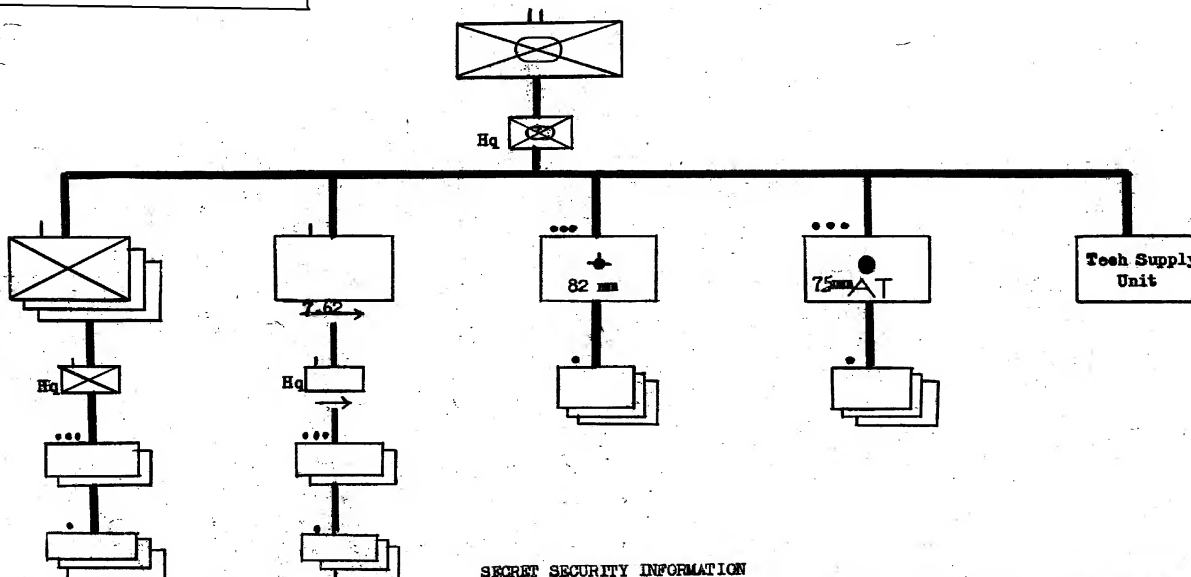
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Note: Based on what source saw and heard in 1960.

E. T/O of a Meez Bn



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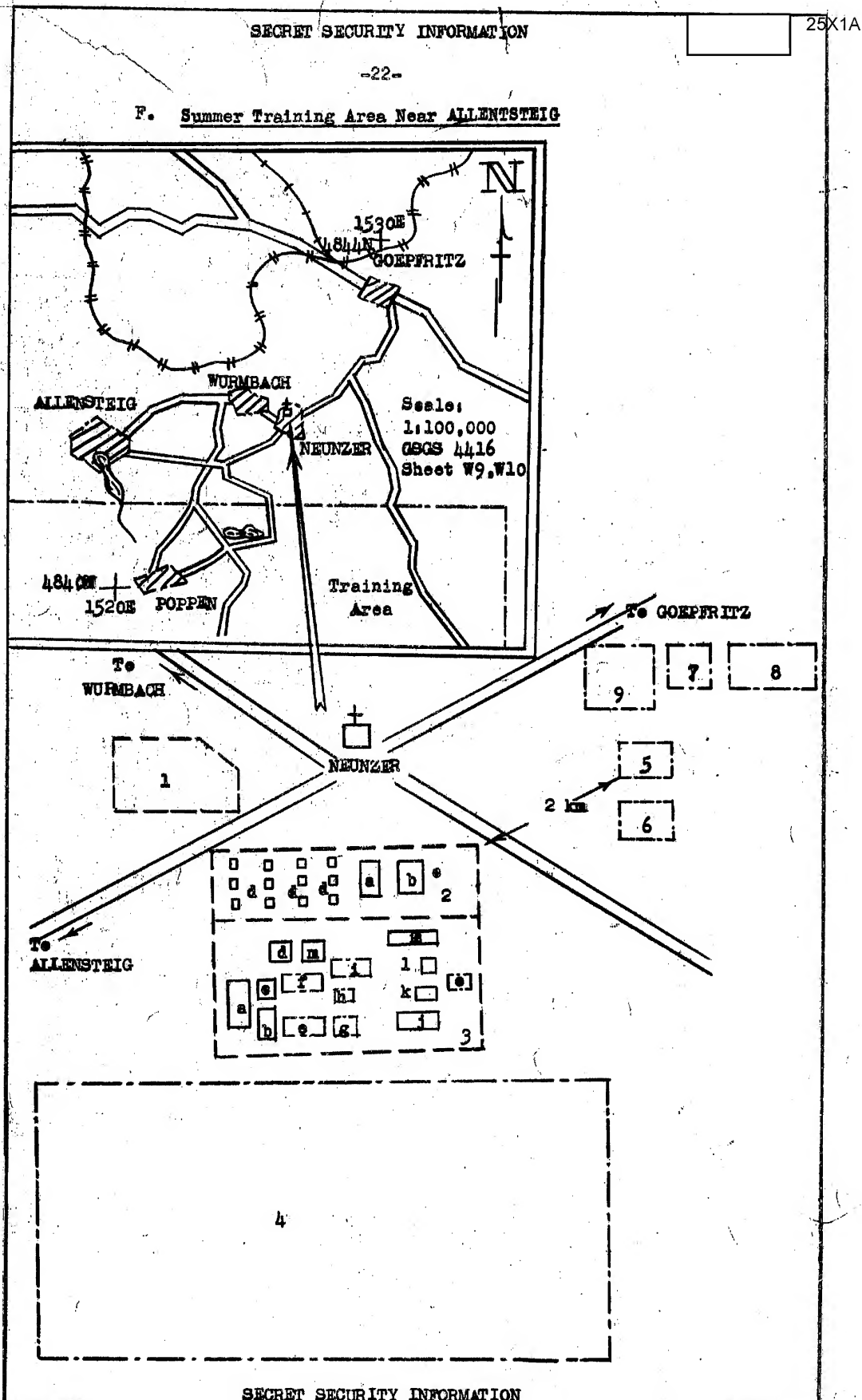
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NOTE: Number in parenthesis represents actual strength

E. T/O & E of a Mecz Rifle Bn. (continued)

	Personnel	7.62 mm. Machine Carbine model 1941 PPSH	7.62 mm. Degtyarev LMG DP	7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant or carbine Model 1944	7.62 mm. Mossin Nagant carbine model 1944 w/ sniper scope	7.62 mm. Tokarev Pistol model 1930	7.62 mm. Goryunov MGG model 1943	82 mm. Mortar. Model unknown	57 mm. AT gun. Model unknown	Trucks, Studebaker 3-ton, year unk. prime movers	218-J. 3-ton	1 1/2-ton Ford truck	No vehicles or T/E
Rifle Co. (3)	71 (46)	6	6	48	6	5							
Rifle Platoon (2)	34 (19-22)	3	3	24	3	1							
Rifle Sq. (3)	11 (4-7)	1	1	8	1								
MG Co. (1)	39 (23-29)	6		30		5	6						
MG Platoon (2)	19 (10-13)	3		15		1	3						
MG Squad (3)	6 (3-4)	1		5			1						
Mortar Platoon (1)	16-22 (13)	3		6-12		4		3					
Mortar Sq. (3)	4-5 (4)	1		2-4		1		1					
AT Platoon (1)	13-22 (13)	3		6-15		4			3	3			
AT Sq. (3)	4-7 (4)	1		2-5		1			1	1			
Technical Supply Unit (1)	(14)?	2?		12?		2?						No. unknown	



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Legend to Diagram of Summer Training Area near Allensteig

This area had formerly been an Austrian, and later a German, troop training area. Source heard rumors to the effect that Field Marshal von Paulus (German Army) had trained his troops there. The area was nicknamed "The Austrian Siberia" by Soviet troops because of the cold and rainy weather and the desolate appearance. It contained a polygon (training ground) about 60 km. x 40 km., as shown on attached sketch. Railroad detraining points for those going to the polygon were at the villages of Neunzer /4841N-1523E/ and Goepfritz /4843N-1524E/.

In 1949, 1950, and 1951 most units of the 13th Gds. Mecz. Div. and of the 95th Rifle Div. and the whole of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. went to Allensteig for training during the summer months. In 1952, subunits of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. undertook their summer training in Allensteig, in such a manner that one battalion would be gone for two or three weeks' training at a time. Source did not know whether other units of the 13th Gds. Mecz. Div. and of the 95th Rifle Div. went to Allensteig in 1952.

Source heard from the regimental CO that the barracks were in poor shape and were falling apart. He did not know whether it was contemplated to repair the installations in Allensteig or to discontinue their use for summer training.

All buildings in the Allensteig area, unless stated otherwise below, were barrack type buildings, one-story high, and about 20-30 m. x 10 m. Description below is of the camp as it had been in 1949, 1950, and 1951.

1. Open area, about 500 m. x 500 m., surrounded by a wooden fence $1\frac{1}{2}$ m. high; used for parking of all guns, tanks, and vehicles of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. The guns and tanks were under canvas, while the trucks and jeeps were without covers.
2. Reconnaissance Battalion, 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. area:
 - a. Messhall
 - b. Bath
 - c. Open air parking lot for vehicles of the battalion
 - d. Unknown number of barracks for personnel
3. The 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. area, about 1 km. x 1 km:
 - a. EM messhall (for about 1,000 EM)
 - b. Officers' messhall (for about 300 officers)
 - c. Hq. of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt.
 - d. Bath
 - e. Reconnaissance Company area
 - f. Tank battalion area
 - g. Mortar battalion area
 - h. 1st Mecz. Bn. area
 - i. Artillery Bn. area
 - j. Officers' billets
 - k. Services, AA, medical
 - l. Regimental NCO school
 - m. Depot for QM clothing, equipment and food; also housed the voyentorg (PX)
 - n. Officers' club (also used by EM for lectures or movies)
 - o. Fenced-off ammunition storage area
4. The 95th Rifle Div. area -- no details or estimate of size available since source had never been in the area.
5. Hq. of 13th Gds. Mecz. Div.
6. 2nd Mecz. Bn., 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. area.

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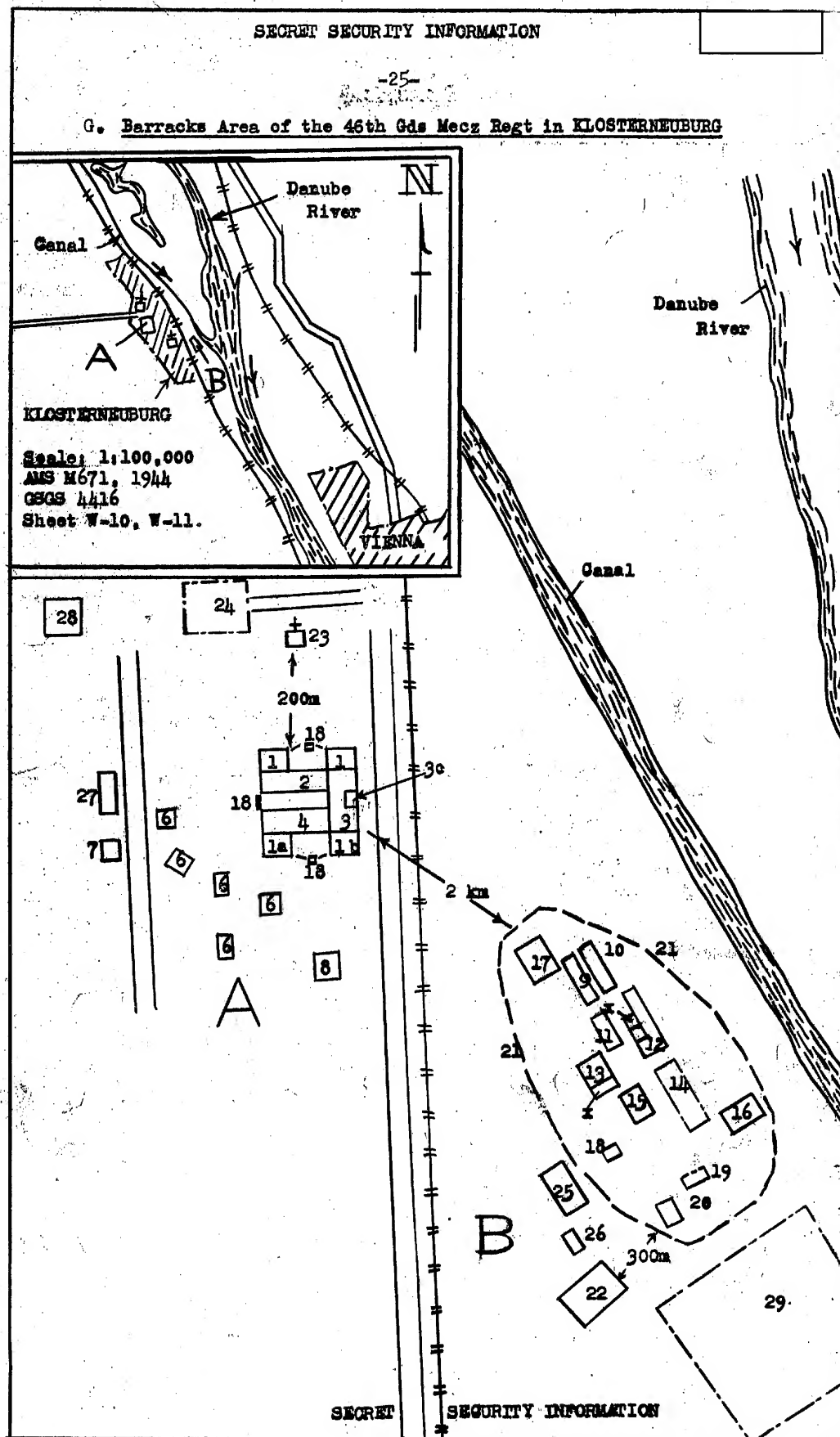
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7. Area of the 106th Gds. HT and SP Regt. and of the vehicle repair shops of the 13th Gds. Mecz. Div.
8. Open parking area for tanks, guns, SP's, vehicles of the 106th Gds. HT and SP Regt.
9. 45th Gds. Mecz. area.

Note: Numbers 2 and 3 were surrounded by a cement fence topped with iron railings to a height of about 1½ m. This fence was, however, broken in several places, and the breaks had not been repaired.

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Legend to Diagram of the Barracks Area of the 46th Gds Mecz Regt in Klosterneuburg

(Only the sizes of buildings which source could describe are given below.)

- 1, 2, 3, 4. Barracks complex, former German Army barracks, housing about 1,060 NCO's and privates of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt, and the u/i Engineer Battalion of the 13th Gds. Mecz. Div.

Breakdown:

1. Corner buildings of barracks complex; four stories and basement, brick; size unknown.

- 1a. In basement, potato and vegetable storage
- 1b. In basement, clothes and equipment storage

2. Three stories and basement, brick. Size unknown. The PX, the medical detachment, Hq. of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt., and a messhall large enough for all EM of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. were located on the first floor.

- 3c. Storage in basement of engineer and chemical supplies. Source saw the following engineering equipment there: two or three pneumatic boats, one mine searcher (types unknown). Source could not describe the chemical equipment since his hearsay knowledge did not contain that information.

4. 29 other EM in one room about 10 x 8 m. They had double-tiered cots. In source's opinion the whole complex was only half-full and could accommodate another 500-1,000 EM. Source had heard that additional personnel would be arriving in June of 1952 and were to be housed in the same barracks complex.
5. Officers' messhall, two-story brick building, accommodating 250-300 officers. Upstairs, officers' club.
6. Civilian two-or three-story buildings, exact size unknown, some stucco, some brick, some wood, now used as billets for officers. Officers lived two or three per room.
7. Austrian store.
8. Small one-story brick building used for food storage. Source had heard that it had formerly been a church. No other details.
9. Garage, one-story, brick, very large, size unknown, housed all vehicles (an unknown number) of Mortar Bn. of 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. (mortars, prime movers, trucks).
10. Garage, brick, one-story, housed unknown number of vehicles of 1st and 2nd Mecz. Bns., 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt.
11. One story brick building used for storage of automotive tools and for ordnance repair.
12. Large garage, one-story, brick, housing all motorcycles, armored cars of Reconnaissance Company of 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. In the corner (12x) were nine jeeps, two Studebakers, one Ford, one ZIS and one Dodge of Hq. Company, 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt.
13. Garage, one-story brick, for about 35 trucks of Technical Supply Company, 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. 13x -- Vehicle repair shop.
14. Outdoor storage area for 20-25 T/34 Tanks (under canvas).

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15. Electrical repair shop, brick, one-story (batteries were recharged here).
16. One-story garage, brick, housing the trucks of the tank battalion, 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. (number of vehicles unknown).
17. Two-story brick building, fenced off by five feet high barbed wire, containing artillery supplies.
18. Check points -- usually manned by one NCO and two privates.
19. Destroyed building, now used as a guardhouse.
20. Brick building, one-story. (Source heard that there were explosives inside.)
21. Iron railing fence, two meters high.
22. POL storage place; wooden, one-story building and small underground tanks; also parking area for some trucks.
23. Church in Klosterneuburg.
24. Center of the town of Klosterneuburg.
25. Electric factory (Austrian-owned).
26. Sales store of USIA /Upravleniye Sovetskikh Imuchestvom v Avstrii -- Administration of Soviet Property in Austria/. A Soviet-operated store selling merchandise to Austrians and to Soviet troops. All soldiers employed in the garage areas fenced off by fence (#21) could and did go there to buy alcoholic drinks.
27. Austrian bar, frequented by Soviet officers.
28. Two-story brick house where CO of 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. lived with his staff. The CO had a room to himself and the Political Officer of the 46th Gds. Mecz. Regt. had a room to himself; all other staff officers lived two to a room.
29. Target range, 1st and 2nd Bn.

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